

## BRUSH BURNING RULES AND REGULATIONS

Each year, the State allows some Massachusetts Towns, including Monterey, to conduct open burning. It is important to remember that when burning, you are subject to certain requirements and responsibilities issued and enforced by the State Fire Marshals Office, DEP and your local Fire Department. These guidelines include the following:

- Permits can be obtained from January 15 to April 30.
- You must obtain a permit for open burning from your local Fire Department by calling 528-1734
- Residents must call on the day they will be burning; no permits are issued ahead of time. The permit is good for one day only
- Burning hours start at 10am and all fires must be out by 4pm
- Burning materials will be confined to brush only. All other materials are prohibited.
- Burning piles will be kept small and controllable
- No burning within 75' of a building
- Have a method of extinguishment and tools available
- Never leave the fire unattended for any reason
- Permits are issued weather permitting. Burning is not allowed every day.
- Don't wait until the end of April; you will be disappointed if you wait till the last minute.
- The " burning season will not be extended

Make sure you call for a permit at 528-1734 and leave your name, the address of where you are burning and a phone number